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The reply filed on April 23, 2004 with the claims resubmitted on 8/23/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): As first noted in the Office action mailed 11/20/2003, the rules for filing and prosecuting an RCE require that the claims must be restricted to the invention examined prior to filing the RCE. The invention previously examined was a pouch for coffee. The new claims filed 4/23/04, claims 48-53 are directed to an assembly system comprising a coffee pouch and a holder for use in a pressurized coffee machine, which is a different invention, from the pouch. Therefore, the amendment is not in compliance with the rules for an RCE (MPEP. 706.07 (h), page 700.95 and page 700.88), If applicant chooses to continue prosecution of this application, applicant is required to submit an amendment that is solely directed to the invention examined at the time of filing the RCE (i.e. the pouch). Note, too, the claims being examined at the time of filing the RCE (i.e. the claims filed 9/26/02) positively recited coffee in the pouch. The current claims to the pouch do not positively recite that there is coffee in the pouch and are therefore also not drawn to the invention that was examined at the time of filing the RCE. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Steven Weinstein/af December 16, 2004

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